

**BRAZIL CITY PARKS & RECREATION BOARD**  
**JUNE 6, 2007**

- President Ruthann Jeffries called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
- The May 2 minutes were read and approved.

- Treasurer's Report—Linda Messmer  
Non-reverting Fund

Beginning Balance-May 1, 2007.....	\$20,134.28
Revenue.....	\$314.64
Disbursements.....	<u>(\$2,160.00)</u>
Ending Balance-May 31, 2007.....	\$18,288.92

Park & Recreation Board Fund

Beginning Balance-May 1, 2007.....	(\$8,551.52)
Revenue.....	\$799.75
Disbursements.....	<u>(\$8,065.26)</u>
Ending Balance-May 31, 2007.....	(\$15,817.03)

Note: The Non-reverting Fund revenue was from Kumpf Memorial, Tri Kappa, and Miscellaneous and disbursement was to Don Bullerdick (tables). For the Park Fund, shelter rental made up the revenue, and various bills filed with minutes for the disbursements. Again, since the tax situation has not been settled, this fund will continue to have a negative balance. The encumbrance list and vendor list was reviewed, and no discrepancies were noted.

- Pool Report—Tiffany Deakins
  - The pool opened June 2 and has been opened every day since.
  - Revenue taken in has been \$3,927.
  - Sixteen passes have been sold.
  - Swim lesson numbers are as follows:
    - June-28 children
    - July-19 children plus 17 Headstart children making a total of 36
    - August-8 children
  - Thirty-three pool parties are scheduled.
  - Chemicals have been on track.
  - The pool looks good, and patrons have commented on a "well run show."
- Superintendent's Report—Bill Houck
  - The mini-shelter at Wheeler is almost finished.
  - After investigating the cost of a tire swing, Mr. Houck made a decision to not buy the expensive swing, but put new chain on the baby swings and reinstalled them. (Wheeler)
  - The basketball goals and court is finished and new bank boards are in.
  - Old signs along SR59 are down with the exception of the Band and Church signs. Mr. Houck will need larger equipment to get the church sign down, and it wasn't certain who was taking the band sign down.

--Vandalism has been a tremendous problem. The large bridge was vandalized with slats pulled loose, supports broken. This has been repaired. Also, the pavilion is vandalized at least twice a week with tables, benches, lights being damaged. Vandals have been on top of the workshop roof, and three teen age boys were climbing the girders. Skateboarders have been reprimanded.

--The YMCA storage building is in place on the south side of the restroom.

--Glen Steurwald will put in lights in the basement of the pool house.

--The Pepsi gift truck will soon be available.

--After closer investigation, Mr. Houck questioned if there was enough electricity for the new carnival bunkhouse area south of the carnival grounds. He will call the carnival owner to find out needs, if they have a generator, etc.

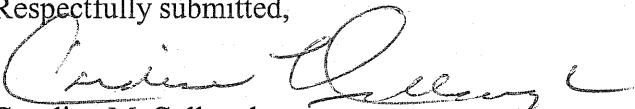
--Habitat for Humanity will have a 5K run at Craig Park using the cross country trail. Brad Deal is making certain the park is ready for the event. Ed Ruhe has baled hay, but part of the track needs mowed. Mr. Mullenix will be contacted.

- Mrs. Jeffries sent 3 copies of the Christmas in the Park contract to Linda Ray for her signature and the Chamber president's signature. However, it was noted that the Chamber only had \$300,000 liability policy not the required one million dollar one. Linda Messmer motioned to tell Christmas in the Park Committee to increase their liability coverage to \$1,000,000. Seconded by Brad Deal. Carried.
- The new toddler playground equipment is in the garage. In addition to lack of time to get it together, there is a fear among Mr. Houck and Board Members of vandalism. Mrs. Jeffries expressed her desire to hire a night watchman and has talked with Mayor Arthur about where the money could be obtained. After discussion, Mrs. Jeffries motioned to hire a night watchman to try to curb the excessive vandalism in the parks, and to direct Mrs. Messmer to meet with the mayor and decide on where to get the money. Seconded by Brad Deal. Carried.
- Concerning the trash problem, Mr. Deal has been unable to reach Double Bee Fencing, but will continue to try to communicate with them.
- After much discussion about the mud problem by the Ball Park and SR59, Linda Messmer motioned to allow Mr. Houck to purchase the materials to do a section at a time, blocking off the newly seeded area, and continuing as time permits. The extension office has indicated to Mr. Houck that August is the month to seed grass. Seconded by Brad Deal. Carried.
- Dan Dragon and his building trades students will roof the garage and little building by the merry-go-round when they are finished with this year's house. Materials have been purchased for this project.
- There was discussion on a communication system for the superintendent and park workers. Cell phones and radios were the options. Linda Messmer motioned to give the Superintendent permission to get a communication system for he and the

park workers that best suits his needs and not to cost more than \$250. Seconded by Brad Deal. Carried.

- Todd Brackman, representing the neighborhood around Wheeler Park, was concerned about the bright lights that are on all night. He and his group would like the lights to be turned off at 11:00 p.m. Mr. Houck then indicated that the electrical system at Wheeler has been vandalized, but he will remove the box, and the only light at night will be the dusk-to-dawn light. Mr. Houck will contact an electrician to rebuild the box and system.
- Mrs. Jeffries received a call from a patron that wanted to purchase some handicapped playground equipment. Some ideas will be given to this patron.
- Caroline McCullough announced the Hoagy Carmichael Evening, August 12 at the pavilion, and handed out information. This will be in conjunction with the Brazil Concert Band. A bronze statue will be unveiled, information, videos, special music, etc. This is all in the planning stage. They wanted the support of the Board as well as to know the electrical system is functional in the pavilion. More on this later.
- Linda Messmer motioned to allow Mr. Houck to spend \$1,000 for white rock for various areas of the parks. Brad Deal seconded this motion. Carried.
- The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Caroline McCullough